

## **New Jersey Department of Children and Families Policy Manual**

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## §10:121A-4.7 Background check procedures for New Jersey agencies

- (a) Prior to the opening of a new agency located in New Jersey, the agency shall ensure that a request for a Criminal History Record Information (CHRI) background check, as specified in N.J.A.C. 10:121A-4.5, and a Child Abuse Record Information (CARI) background check, as specified in N.J.A.C. 10:121A-4.6, is submitted for each person identified in N.J.A.C. 10:121A-4.5(a) and 4.6(a).
- (b) Prior to the first renewal of a certificate on or after June 13, 2009 for an existing agency located in New Jersey, the agency shall ensure that a request for a CHRI background check, as specified in N.J.A.C. 10:121A-4.5, is submitted for the director and each staff member.
- (c) Prior to each renewal of a certificate on or after June 13, 2009, for an existing agency located in New Jersey, the agency shall ensure that a request for a CARI background check, as specified in N.J.A.C. 10:121A-4.6, is submitted for the director and each staff member.
- (d) Within two weeks after a new staff member begins employment at an agency located in New Jersey, the agency shall ensure that a request for a CHRI background check, as specified in N.J.A.C. 10:121A-4.5, and a CARI background check, as specified in N.J.A.C. 10:121A-4.6, is submitted for the individual.
- (e) An individual shall not be left alone as the only adult accompanying or caring for a child until documentation from the Department showing compliance with a CHRI check and CARI check for the individual has been received by the agency.